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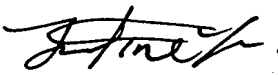
1. ☒ The amendment filed on 10 July 2007 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

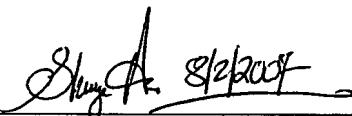
- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☐ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

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- d) ☒ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

Newly added limitation changes the scope of the claimed invention and incorporates new matter. Applicant's invention requires connection means (see fig. 6A, 638, 640, and 642) that are situated at the proximal end of the channel, however, claim 1 as amended recites "the channel is sized to comprise connection means between said proximal and distal ends," which is not supported by the specification. Thus, the amendment will not be entered.


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